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SUBJECT: WHITE HOUSE SPOKESMAN ON ROMANIAN INVITATION

-- TO PRESIDENT FORD TO VISIT ROMANIA

REF: - STATE 188335

DURING QUESTION AND ANSWER SESSION FOLLOWING WHITE HOUSE
STATEMENT ON OCCASION OF ROMANIAN SPECIAL ENVOY PUNGAN'S
AUGUST 27 CALL ON PRESIDENT FORD (REFTEL), FOLLOWING
EXCHANGE OCCURRED:

Q. IN THE ROMANIAN PHOTO SESSION THIS MORNING WE HEARD
THE PRESIDENT SEEM TO ACCEPT AN INVITATION FROM THE
ROMANIAN PRESIDENT TO COME TO ROMANIA AT SOME UNSPECIFIED
DATE AND SCHEDULE TO BE WORKED OUT.

MR. TER HORST: AND YOUR QUESTION IS?

Q. THE QUESTION IS, DID THAT HAPPEN? WAS HE INVITED TO
COME TO ROMANIA AND DID HE IN FACT ACCEPT THAT INVITATION?

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MR. TER HORST: PRIME MINISTER CEAUSESCU EXTENDED TO THE

PRESIDENT AN INVITATION TO VISIT ROMANIA, AND THE PRESIDENT HAS ACCEPTED IN PRINCIPLE BUT NO DATES WERE DISCUSSED AND NO TRIP IS PLANNED AT THIS TIME. KISSINGER

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